

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

**Confirmation No. 5642**

Yuki IWADATE et al.

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

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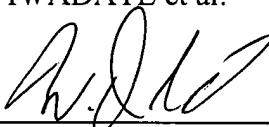
In response to the Restriction Requirement of April 27, 2009, the Applicants hereby elect  
**Group II**, claims 6-10 and 16-20, drawn to a method.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits is respectfully  
requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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